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Idaho Water Supply Committee to Meet Friday

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Half way through the 2007 water accumulation season, Idaho snow pack levels are tracking close to average for most parts of the state. What does this mean as far as the river flows and reservoir levels for the upcoming irrigation and recreation season?

The Water Supply Committee will attempt to answer this question when it holds its first meeting of the year this Friday at the Idaho Department of Water Resources state office in Boise.

Conditions so far this year are similar to last year, according to Steve Burrell, technical hydrologist with IDWR. Drier than normal El Nino conditions predicted for this winter have not materialized. A continued normal precipitation pattern would further mitigate the effects of the drought of the past decade. Normal precipitation conditions will also reduce the possibility of flooding occurring again this spring.

The Water Supply Committee includes water managers and hydrology experts from both the public and private sector. Each will provide information that will be used to formulate a comprehensive water picture for 2007. The meeting is open to the public.

When: Friday, January 12, 2007

Where: IDWR Headquarters, The Idaho Water Center, 322 E. Front Street, Boise, in the Boise and Snake River Conference Rooms on the sixth floor

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Parking is located in the Water Center parking garage and there is a fee to park.

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